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Public Notices.

THEATRE ROYAL, DUBLIN.
On This WEDNESDAY, DEC. 26th, 1860,
The Performances will commence with the Drama entitled
THE LITTLE TREASURE.
Sir Charles Howard, ... Mr. Walter Baynham.
Captain Walter Maydenbush, ... Mr. H. Barlow.
Frogmore, ... Mr. Charles Weston.
Lady Howard, ... Mrs. Walter Baynham.
To conclude with a Mirthful, Magical, Comical, Christmas Pantomime entitled
JACK THE GIANT KILLER,
Or Harlequin King Arthur and ye Knights of ye Round Table.
The Scenery of the Opening painted by Mr. William Glover; the Pantomime Opening written and invented by H. J. Byron, Esq.; Overture and Music composed, selected, and arranged by Mr. Levy; Dresses by Mr. William Glover, Mr. Charles Parker, and Miss Somers; the Wigs, Wardrobe, and Properties by Mr. Marks, Mechanical Changes, Tricks, and Properties invented by Mr. Fynton and Mr. E. W. Bradwell; the Dresses by Mr. Bath and Miss Monck; the Machinery by Mr. Drummond and Mr. Bath; the Pantomime produced under the direction of Mr. Grady.
There was a little ladie, who lived a long time back,
A good and pleasant boy was he, his Christian name was Jacke,
Jack, Mrs. Barkins, Jack's Mother, Mr. Byron; Harlequin, Mr. Buck; Pantaloon, Mr. J. Beckingham; Mr. C. Lewis; Clown, Mr. Buck; Pantaloon, Mr. J. Beckingham; Columbine, Miss Fanny Browne.
Doors open at a Quarter to Seven; Performances to commence at a Quarter past Seven.

THE QUEEN'S ROYAL THEATRE.
On This WEDNESDAY EVENING, 26th Dec., 1860,
The performances will commence with the celebrated Drama in FOUR ACTS, first which, a Grand National Christmas Pantomime, written expressly for this Theatre, by John Imogen, Esq., entitled THE ORIGINAL PUNCH AND JUDY, OR, THE THREE WISHES; or, HARLEQUIN KING TINY and the Fairy Knights of the Olden Time. Harlequin King Tiny and the Fairy Knights of the Olden Time. New Medley Overture and Music, selected, composed, and arranged by Mr. M. Conolly; the Scenery Painted and Painted by Mr. Wm. and Frederick Grieve, and by Miss Dorman, Mr. Andrews, and Assistants; Machinery by Messrs. Johnston, Lee, Gilmore, and Assistants; Properties by Mr. Woodyer and Assistants; the Gentlemen's Dresses by Mr. Wheeler and Assistants; the Ladies' Dresses by Mrs. Lyons and Miss Nicole; the Pantomime produced under the direction of Mr. H. Yeland; Mr. J. Simon, Columbine, Miss Merrion; Pantaloon, Mr. H. Appleby; Harlequin, Mr. M'Donnell; Clown, Mr. Dreher; Sprite, the reuben ribbon.
After which, Mr. Macabre's Entertainment.
Vestibule with the New and Original Farce of A REGULAR FIX.
Books of the Grand Christmas Pantomime to be had at the Theatre and of Mr. Somerset's, Suffolk-street.—Price 3d.

QUEEN'S ROYAL THEATRE,
GRAND DAY PERFORMANCE,
of the PANTOMIME
On This WEDNESDAY, the 26th,
at 2 o'clock p.m.
Doors open at Half-past One. Prices as usual.

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At the Ex-aminations, which commenced on the 21st instant, the following young gentlemen distinguished themselves in their respective classes, in the undermentioned branches of study:—
Greek—1st Class, W H Williams 1; 2nd do, C Bentham, 2nd; R E Kelsall, 1st; E F Smith, 2nd.
Latin—1st Class, W H Williams 1; 2nd do, C Bentham, 2nd; R E Kelsall, 1st; E F Smith, 2nd.
French—1st Class, W H Williams 1; C Bentham 2 2nd Class, H G Molly, E F Smith (equal) 3rd.
Writing—1st Class, *E Sparrow (C Bentham 2nd). 2nd Class, *H G Molly, *A C English (equal). 3rd Class, *G Molloy, *W Hamilton, *H L Hamilton (equal).
Drawing—R C Woodward, C Bentham, G Bentham, R E Kelsall.
Drawing Maps—R C Woodward, E Sparrow, W H Williams.
Chemistry—W H Williams 1; H R Woodward 2.
Mathematics—Mechanics—R C Woodward.
Trigonometry and Algebra—R C Woodward, W H Williams (equal).
Euclid—1st Class, * R C Woodward, W H Williams 1; Second Division, * C Bentham 2. 3rd do, R E Kelsall 1; S T Mulvany 2.
Arithmetic—1st Class, R C Woodward 1; W H Williams 2; C Bentham 3. 2nd do * J Mills 1; E F Smith 2. 3rd do * O Armstrong, W. Hamilton (equal). 4th do * D R Smith.
English Composition—W H Williams, R C Woodward (equal).
Derivation—W H Williams, 1st; C Bentham, 2nd; R C Woodward, 3rd.
Spelling—1st Class, C Bentham, W H Williams (equal) 1st; J H Littlehale, 2nd. 2nd Class—H G Molloy, 1st; J Wardell, E F Smith (equal) 2nd. 3rd Class—W Hamilton, 1st; H R Cummins, 2nd.
Geography (Physical)—W H Williams, 1st; R C Woodward, 2nd.
Do Political—1st Class, W H Williams, 1st; E Sparrow, 2nd. 2nd Class—J Mills, 1st; G Williams, 2nd. 3rd Class—W Hamilton, O Armstrong (equal) 1st; A B Williams, 2nd.
History (Grecian)—W H Williams, 1st; R C Woodward, 2nd. (Roman)—W H Williams, 1st; R C Woodward, 2nd.
English—1st Class, W H Williams, 1st; R C Woodward, 2nd; C Bentham, 3rd. 2nd Class, J Mills, 1st; H G Molly, 2nd; J Williams and E F Smith (equal), 3rd. 3rd Class, C H Smith, 1st; H R Cummins, 2nd.
Scripture—1st Class, W H Williams, 1st; E Sparrow, 2nd; 2nd Class, J Mills, A C English, G W Williams, 1st; R E Kelsall, 2nd. 3rd Class, W Hamilton, 1st; O Armstrong, 2nd.
*This mark denotes that in these subjects premiums were awarded at this time.
Premiums for Good Conduct and Punctual Attendance—1st Class, W H Williams, W G T Hobson, 1st; H B Mulvany, 2nd. 2nd Class, H N Gardiner, 1st; H G Molly, 2nd; James Mills, 3rd. 3rd Class, C E Smith, 1st; W Hamilton, 2nd. Also for general practice in their classes, attention and improvement, to W H Williams, James Mills, and E F Smith.
Harcourt to be resumed (D.V.) on the 7th Jan, 1861.
Saturday, Dec. 22nd, 1860. H. T. RUMPHREYS.

COLLEGIATE SCHOOL,
24, RATHMINES-ROAD.
PRINCIPALS:
Rev Charles W Benson, A.B, T.C.D.
Rev Francis W Wills, A.B, T.C.D.
At the Christmas Examinations, held on the 17th, 17th, 18th, and 19th December, the young Gentlemen whose names follow distinguished themselves in their respective Classes.
1ST CLASS.
Classics—M'Minn (S), Craig (W).
Science—First Prize—Purcell (G C), M'Minn (S), Beaumont (R H). Honors—La Barte (E U).
English (History and Geography)—First Prize—M'Minn (S). Honors—Craig, Pollock (Charles).
Shakspere and English Composition—Subject—" Sir Walter Raleigh." First Prize—Swazey (H R).
Roman and Grecian Histories—First Prize—Craig (W).
2ND CLASS.
Classics—Second Prize—Pollock (Chas).
Science—Honors—Parker (J), Swazey (H), Purcell (J G).
English—With First Class.
Roman and Grecian Histories—First Prize—Pollock (C.)
3RD CLASS.
Classics—First Prizes—Bouiger (E V), Cooney (C). Honors—Tuthill (F), Thompson (T M).
Science—First Prize—Bouiger (E V), Tuthill, (F). Honors—Cooney (C), Thompson (T M).
English—First Prize—Cooney (C). Honors—Thompson (T M), Bouiger (E V).
Roman and Grecian Histories—First Prize—Bouiger (E V). Honors—Knox (M), Thompson (T M).
4TH CLASS.
Classics—First Prize—Knox (M). Honors—Pratt (J), Ferguson (D C), Pollock (J).
Science—First Prize—Knox (M). Honors—Pratt (J), Ferguson (D C), Pollock (J).
English, &c.—With the Third Class.
5TH CLASS.
Classics—First Prize—Thompson (T F). Honor—Cranfield (G.)
Science—First Prize—Purcell (J). Beagin (W.) Honors—Foot (B), Thompson (C), Thompson (W F.)
6TH CLASS.
General Proficiency—First Prize—Cranfield (T.) Honor—R Cranfield.
SPECIAL PRIZES.
Exemplary Conduct and Diligence during the session—Silver Medal: at this close awarded by the boys.)
(The medal last was awarded by the boys.)
Prize—Pollock (C). For Honor (G D), Foot (C), Foot (E), Thompson (T M), Thompson (W F), Lowe (A.)
FRENCH.
1st Class—1st Prize—Parker (J). Honor—Beaumont (R H).
2nd Class—1st Prize—Cooney (C). Honor—Thompson (T F).
3rd Class—1st Prize—Pratt (J.) Lardy (J.).
HEBREW.
1st Class—1st Prize—Purcell (G C).
2nd Class—1st Prize—Purcell (J). Honor—Parker (J).
MEDALISTS DURING THE SESSION.
1st Class—Purcell (G C).
2nd Class—1 Purcell (J).
3rd Class—Bouiger (E V).
4th Class—Knox (M).
5th Class—Purcell (J).
6th Class—Cranfield (T.)
Greek and Latin Grammars—Prize—Purcell (G C). Honors—Craig (W), Parker (J), Purcell (J G), Bouiger (E V), Tuthill (F), Thompson (T M), Knox (M) Cooney (C), Purcell (J).
Mental Arithmetic—M'Minn (S), Parker (J), Purcell (G C).
Writing—Cooney (C), Bouiger (E V), Thompson (T F), Thompson (C).
An Exhibition of £20 has been founded, open to all gentlemen entering T. C. D. who have been pupils in the School for at least one year.
Classes for Sizarship, &c., T. C. D., and for entrance to the Military Colleges, &c., are in operation.
Instruction is given in Military Drawing, Engineering Drawing, &c.
The Pupils of this School have the exclusive right to a large field in the neighbourhood.
Business will be resumed (D.V.) on MONDAY, the 14th JAN., 1861.

PORTARLINGTON SCHOOL,
ARLINGTON HOUSE.
Day Pupils not received.
Rev JOHN A WALL, Ex-Scholar TCD, Principal.
HEAD CLASSICAL MASTER:
Edwin Sandislands, Esq, A B, B C L, Ex-Fellow of St. John's College, Oxford.
HEAD MATHEMATICAL MASTER:
Robert Tucker, Esq, A M, Ex-Scholar of St John's College, and Wrangler of the University of Cambridge.
At the late Examinations held on the 15th, 17th, 18th, 19th days of December, 1860, the undermentioned Young Gentlemen obtained the number of marks severally attached to their respective names. The Examinations embraced the following subjects:—The Greek and Latin Authors, Greek and Latin Composition (Verse and Prose), Mathematics, including Algebra, Trigonometry, Geometry, Conics, Statics, Hydrostatics, and Mechanics; the French and German Languages, Hebrew, Arithmetic, and English in all its branches.
First Class—Doig [898], Morgan [837], Wall [657], Morton [576].
Second Class—Ormsby W F [537], Bird W - [515], Drapes L [510], Wilson [758], Hall H [535], Kinkead [573], Hunt [557], Aylmer [594], Ormsby R D [486], Senior W [594], observed [182].
Third Class—Hewson [566], Townsend [525], Armstrong A [462], Sherlock [439], White R [400], Maither [310], Armstrong T [290], Armstrong J [223].
Fourth Class—Drapes T [807], Massy [765], White N [728], Swan [722], Green B [712], Macmullan [698], Green T [690], Preston B [642], Bird J [596], Conner [524], bird M [512], Hall E [494], Sherrard Jacob [460], seymour [354], Peacocke n [281], Adams [401], Babington [absent].
Fifth Class—G bbett W [806], Cummins [471], Gabbett Jos [467], Portland [444], Bullock [382], James [369], Peyton [328], Thomson W [242], Thoms n J [236], ·or H [218], Gabbett H [210], Bor W [201], Yokes [189], Peacocke W [176], Arthurs [158].
Premiums in Drawing were awarded to Doig, Wilson, Hunt, White E, Mather.
Henry R Quin, Esq, Organist of Tullamore Church, gives weekly instruction in Music, Vocal and Instrumental.

ACADEMIC INSTITUTE,
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Principal and Sole Proprietor.
ASSISTANT MASTERS.
G Scott, Esq, M A, Senior Moderator and Mathematical Gold Medallist, and Fellowship Prizeman.
W Hoskeraugh, Esq, B A, First-class man and Classical Honorman (for six years Resident Master in several First-class Schools in England), Resident Master.
Robert Rice, Esq, Sizar and First Honorman in Classics, Royal Scholar, and Prizeman in Latin and Greek Composition.
S Kaye, Esq, Science Sizar and First Honorman.
A Gibson, Esq, Royal Scholar and First Honorman in Classics.
R J Hall, B A, Esq, Professor of Elocution and English Literature.
Edward Downe, Esq, Writing and English Master.
French—Monsieur Guida.
German—Rev Oscar Krahmer.
Drawing—Mr Lewis K Bradford, A R H A.
Natural Philosophy—Dr Lover.
There is also a Drill Sergeant in constant attendance.
The Pupils of this School have the privilege of becoming Candidates for the Exhibitions given from Trinity College Church and University Insurance Society, value £30 per Annum for Three Years, two of which are at present held by private Pupils of Mr. Rice.
There is also an Exhibition of £15 per Annum, given by his Grace the Lord Primate, confined to the Pupils of this School, to be competed for at Entrance into College.
At the late examinations, the following premiums were awarded in succession:
In Class—(Lesper, Innis; Lesper, Black; 1st Premiums, Forbes, 2nd premium Examiner—Rev. M. F. Day.
2nd Class—1st and 2nd Division—Shore, Innis, 1st; Orr, 2nd; (Hamilton, Erwin, Du Cressi, 3rd. Examiner—Rev J G Scott.
3rd Class—Somerville, Atlas, 1st; Hodgson, 2nd; Evans, J S, 3rd. Examiner—Rev H D Sheppard.
In 4th Class—O'Comb, Innis, 1st; Hackett, Sligo, 2nd. Examiner—Rev H D Sheppard and Rev J Hewitt.
The results of the examination in Classics, Science, French Eng lish, and Natural Philosophy will be ready after vacation.
The arrangements for Boarders are most comfortable. The Dormitories are spacious and well ventilated, and there is a large bath-room for hot, cold, and shower baths. There is a ball-court and a large field for recreation adjoining the School, solely for the use of the pupils.
Vacation will terminate (D.V.) on January 7th.

ESTABLISHMENT FOR YOUNG LADIES.—Arnold Ville, Monkstown, near Dublin.
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Legal Notice.

IN CHANCERY.
ADVERTISEMENT TO CREDITORS, LEGATEES, AND INCUMBRANCERS.
Cause Petition under the Court of Chancery (Ireland) Regulation Act, 1850, section 15.
In the matter of Frederick Kennedy, administrator of Eleanor Woods, deceased,
Petitioner;
John Fleming and Julia Fleming, otherwise Woods, his wife, and Daniel John Sullivan, Respondents.
I HEREBY require all persons claiming to be Creditors of Eleanor, otherwise Ellen Woods, late of Lower Gloucester-street, in the city of Dublin, deceased, on or before the 19th day of January, 1861, to furnish in writing to the Petitioner, or to George O'B. Kennedy, his Solicitor, the amount and particulars of their several demands (accompanied with a case of simple contract debts, by a statement of the consideration of such debts), in order that the Petitioner may, without any expense to them, prove in this matter such or so much of their demands as he shall think just, of the allowance or disallowance of which, or any part of same, said creditors will have notice; And all such creditors whose demands shall be disallowed, either wholly or in part, shall, at the peril of costs, be at liberty to file charges in my office in respect of the debts or accounts so disallowed. And the next of kin of the deceased are required to establish their kindred, and to file their claims at their peril accordingly.
Dated this 20th day of December, 1860.
J. J. MURPHY, Master in Chancery.
GEORGE O'B. KENNEDY, Solicitor for the Petitioner, No. 11, York-street.

KINGSTOWN RELIEF FUND
The Committee for the Relief of the Poor of Kingstown are actively at work. A distribution of coal, to the amount of 840 bags to 840 families, has been already made in the districts of Kingstown, Mounttown, Upper Kill-of-the-Grange, Sallynoggin, Glasthule, and Dalkey.
The severe weather still continues to prevent all employment the Committee earnestly request that subscriptions may be sent in to enable them to make a distribution of meal during the present week.
ROBERT CHAMBERS, Esq., J.P.
THOMAS CAREY, Esq.
JOSEPH SWAN, Esq., M.D.
Secretaries.
Royal Hotel, Christmas Day, 1860.

SPECIAL RELIGIOUS SERVICES.—ANCIENT CONCERT HALL GREAT BRUNSWICK-STREET. The Rev. J. DENHAM SMITH, will (D.V.) preach in the above Hall on THURSDAY EVENING, the 27th inst., at 8 o'clock p.m.
All C asses are affectionately invited.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.
(TIMES' CITY ARTICLE.)
Saturday Evening.
The demand for money preparatory to the holiday and the continued flatness on the Paris Bourse consequent upon the doubts as to what the first of January may bring forth regarding Italy and Austria have caused an increase of flatness in the Stock Exchange to-day. No gold was taken from the Bank. On the Railway market to-day there has been a very limited business at steady prices.
(DAILY NEWS' CITY ARTICLE.)
Saturday Evening.
Owing to the approach of the holiday the Stock market to-day were dull. Consols showed rather a drooping tendency, but the decline was to merely a fractional extent. The demand for money in the Discount market and at the Bank of England to-day was active, though not pressing, in consequence of intervention of holiday on Monday and Tuesday. Little or no business was done below 5 per cent.

STATE OF THE MARKETS.
Dublin, Monday Evening.
Towards the close of the past week the market for Public Securities, exhibited some depression, owing principally to the declining appearance of the Paris Bourse, and the continued gloomy nature of the advices from America, which latter have strengthened the impression that a large aggregate amount of gold will still be exported from England. The sum of £170,000 was transmitted to the United States by the Australian on Saturday, and the bullion belonging to the Bank of England is decreasing. Through the Revenue and other payments there has been quite a pressure for accommodation in London, and scarcely anything in the shape of paper has been negociated in the open market below the Bank minimum of five per cent., and it is apprehended that full rates will be current at the close of the year.
In the Silver market a fair demand has existed, the inquiry for the next Bombay mail of the 27th having been rather inactive. The quotation is 61½ per ounce.
Wool—There is nothing fresh to notice in the London market. English wools are very dull, but fine Australian qualities support previous rates. Foreign parcels are nominal.
Cotton—The report of the Liverpool market for the week is one of activity, with an advance of nearly ¼d per lb. The reiterated advices received from the United States of the certainty of moderate supplies being directed to this country, consequent upon monetary difficulties, together with the intelligence of peace with China, imparted fresh vigour to the market, which presented, accordingly, an animated appearance all the week.
Hemp—Manilla continued dull and neglected last week in Liverpool, and there were no sales to report, 430 bales Sunn sold at £21 to £22 per ton.
Jute has been quiet in the Liverpool market. Recent transactions have been at prices rather in favour of the buyer. The sales to Friday last amounted to 2,930 bales, at £15 5s to £19 10s per ton.
Leather and Hides—Respecting the London hide sales, Messrs. Culverwell, Brooks, and Company observe as follows:—"At the twenty-fifth and last series of public sales for the year held this day there was a better feeling. The home trade were larger buyers than they have been for some few sales past. The export orders were also to a fair extent. East India—Ox and Cow; Calcutta were in moderate demand, the home trade evincing more disposition to operate; this, together with a fair export demand, resulted in a larger proportion upon the quantity offered being sold than was the case at the previous sales. Prices remain unaltered upon best qualities, but upon the inferior lower prices were submitted to. Madras, Pondicherry, &c., were in good request at former prices. The analysis of the sales is 54,184 Calcutta new parcels, 40,051 brought forward from former sales, and 7,732 Madras, Pondicherry, &c., in all 101,931 hides, of which 65,750 were sold. East India—Buffalo: The Batavia were well competed for, and realised full prices for the quality. Other descriptions, Penang and Bombay, were all sold at full rates. Manilla not sold. Leather—Australian sold well. Salted hides were in better request, particularly the Australian, of which a fair proportion was sold at and after the sale at full prices, the first light bringing in some instances an advance of ½d per lb upon private sales recently made. Cape also sold well, and at full prices. South American were all bought in, with the exception of a small lot of country and iron damaged. The new Brazil sold well. West India and New York also realised fair prices. Dry and Dry-salted Hides—Small were nearly all bought in, the few sold were at former prices. Cape, Gun, all sold at extreme rates. Horse hides were all bought in. Hide Cuttings; East India sold at previous rates. Spanish bought in. Valonea: None sold.
Foreign and Colonial Produce—There was very little done in our sugar market last week, and it was not easy for sellers to maintain prices. At public sales a lot of Cubas were offered, and not quite half were disposed of, at 1s under former sale. In London, during the same period, increased inactivity was apparent, and further depression was exhibited in the value of some of the principal staples. The sugar market continued dull, and the indisposition of buyers to operate rather increased in consequence of some further small failures in the refining trade. Supplies were very moderately brought forward, but even in the small sales that occurred lower prices were accepted, in some cases 6d to 1s per cwt., on which terms, however, there were only few sellers. British West India went at 6d per cwt. decline; 300 casks Barbadoes were sold at public sale at about former rates, 40s 6d to 42s 6d. 5,096 bags Mauritius were chiefly bought in, only a very small portion selling at a reduction of 6d per cwt.; 34s to 35s 6d for low to low middling brown. Of Bengal 1,642 bags were disposed of at a decline of 6d per cwt.; 41s for good middling yellow Gurpattah. 2,063 bags Penang were sold at 6d to 1s per cwt. cheaper prices; 33s 6d to 34s for low brown to low yellow; and 39s to 41s 6d for low middling to good yellow. For the lowest descriptions of brown sugar there is some inquiry for brewing, and by private treaty 5,100 bags Bengal sold at 32s 6d to 33s for low brown date, and 33s 6d for low brown cane; in addition to which were the following private sales—1,150 bags good middling yellow Gurpattah at 41s 6d, 2,063 bags good grainy Cossipore at 40s, and 1,000 bags good middling yellow semi-crystallised Mauritius at 41s 6d. Of foreign there was only one public sale; 1,643 baskets Java, a portion of which found buyers at 1s 6d to 2s per cwt. below the recent highest point, No. 13 realising 43s. Privately the only transactions reported are the sales of 180 boxes florette yellow Havana at 47s 6d to 48s 6d, 120 boxes good middling yellow ditto at 42s, 2,000 bags uncleaved Manilla (Teal) at 33s 9d, and a floating cargo of 1,600 boxes No. 12 Havana, described, insured, at 27s 6d for this country. The supply of dry refined sugar was only moderate, and where sales were made, previous prices were obtained; brown lumps sold at 39s 6d to 40s. In foreign bonded 4,000 bags sundry transactions transpired, about 250 tons Dutch granulated having sold at 33s 6d to 34s 9d for Van Curdi's and B and H in barrels, free on board. The quantity of coffee brought forward was very limited, and the market was steady; 187 casks, 44 barrels, 898 bags Plantation Ceylon sold at 68s to 67s for fine ordinary to fine fine ordinary, and 66s to 69s for low middling to middling, rather mixed; 100 casks 1,346 bags native Ceylon brought 63s to 64s for good to fine ordinary; 290 bags ordinary Malabar sold at 61s to 62s; 53 half bales common Alexandrian Mocha were bought in at 80s. Foreign—2,500 bags Rio, ex Tyne, were offered by auction, and 1,600 bags sold at, and after the sale at easier prices, 56s to 57s 6d for ordinary mixed to good ordinary paleish, and 58s to 60s for good ordinary to fine ordinary dull even; 500 bags Port-au-Prince, being part of a cargo St Domingo, sold at 63s, insured free of 10 per cent for a near port. The Cocoa market was very quiet, and only 120 bags Trinidad sold at moderate prices. The Government accepted tenders for 101,500 gallons Leeward Islands rum, at 1s 9½d to 1s 10½, the average being about 1s 10d per proof gallon, but the market was not influenced. A few small transactions have occurred as previous prices, present quotations remaining at 1s 9d to 1s 10d for pale Leewards, and 2s for good Demerara, 2s 1d to 2s 2d for fine marks. The rice market remains very quiet, but there was no change in prices. 2,000 bags were disposed of at 11s 4½d to 11s 6d for fine new Necranzee Arracan, 11 1½d for pinky Madras, and 12s to 14s for fair middling to good white Bengal. The saltpetre market was very flat, 100 bags Bengal fine 4 per cent. refraction were sold at 42s. The price of British refined was lowered to 42s 6d to 43s.
In Liverpool last week the sugar market also continued inactive, and the

THE PANTOMIMES.

The joyous season of Christmas has come, and amongst the numerous pleasures and entertainments which it always brings in its train the Christmas Pantomimes hold no inferior place. If with some of mature years, of grave and reverend aspect, they are placed last on the list of Christmas delights, we were there is a long array of young hearts, full of hopeful anticipation, who do not esteem the pantomimes as the least of the treats that await them. Those numberless young folk, who are themselves the life and soul, as well as the pride and hope, of many happy homes, now look forward with eager expectation to the wonderful tricks and transformations, assaults and felonies, of Messrs. Harlequin, Clown, Pantaloon, and Company, as in afterlife the memory of such youthful enjoyments will afford a pleasure, even to thought it be shaded by the hand of time. To the admirers of pantomime, be they of what sex, age, or condition they may, be it be known that great and clever and active preparations have been made in this department for their amusement. At the Theatre Royal an enormous staff of scene-painters, machinists, mechanists, decorators, dressmakers, trick-contrivers, &c., have been employed, and very large expense has been incurred for the purpose of presenting "Jack the Giant Killer, or Harlequin King Arthur, and the Knights of the Round Table," in a style worthy of the character of the Theatre Royal, and that will merit the unqualified patronage and approval of the public. It would, of course, be presumption to attempt to express now an absolute opinion upon the general merits of the pantomime; but this we can say, confidingly say, that it will not be the fault of Mr. Harris if the pantomime will not prove a complete success. Neither money, time, nor exertion has been spared to secure this desirable result.

Of the Queen's Theatre pantomime, the "Devil's Punchbowl, or the Three Wishes," &c., an opportunity has been afforded of judging during six public rehearsals. In deference, however, to the requirements of "boxing night," we abstain from speaking in detail of the pantomime until tomorrow; but we must now briefly state that it is, perhaps, the best ever produced at the Queen's Theatre.

THE CARTOONS OF RAPHAEL.

An exhibition of tapestries, from the cartoons of Raphael, opened on Monday, at the Royal Irish Institution, College-street, and will be continued on Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. The exhibition, which is under the patronage of the Lord Lieutenant, is for the benefit of the Protestant and Roman Catholic Reformatories. Mr. Charles Bianconi, the owner of those splendid tapestries, has kindly lent them for this charitable purpose, and a committee has been formed, of gentlemen of different religious persuasions, to conduct the exhibition. These beautiful works of art are seven in number, representing the following subjects:—No. 1, "The Miraculous Draught of Fishes;" No. 2, "Christ Delivering the Keys to Peter;" No. 3, "Peter Healing the Lame Man;" No. 4, "The Death of Ananias;" No. 5, "Elymas Struck with Blindness;" No. 6, "The Sacrifice at Lystra;" No. 7, "Paul Preaching at Athens." It is stated in a document, published under the authority of the committee, that the tapestries now exhibited are genuine originals from the cartoons of Raphael, and were executed at Arras, for the Emperor of Austria. They were hung in the Imperial Palace at Vienna until the Empress Maria Teresa presented them to Count Fermoit, her Ambassador at Milan, where they remained for many years. Lately they have come, by purchase, into the possession of Mr. Bianconi, who makes an excellent use of them in this instance, by permitting them to be exhibited for the benefit of [illegible] Charities. Raphael, having [illegible] a commission from Leo X. designed, in his wondrous cartoons, a series of subjects taken from the Life of our Lord and the Acts of the Apostles. At Brussels the cartoons were sent into tapestry under the superintendence of former pupils of Raphael himself, Van Orley, and Michael Coxis. For many years the original cartoons were treated as mere lumber, and might have been lost to mankind were it not that Charles I., at the instance of Rubens, purchased them and brought them to England; and again, during the civil wars, they were preserved by the action of the Lord Protector Cromwell. Seven of the compositions are now at Hampton Court, where a gallery was built for them by William the Third. The two sets of tapestries woven from the cartoons by order of Leo X. experienced even greater vicissitudes than the originals. One set is at present in the Spanish Netherlands. The [illegible] set mentioned were executed at Arras, contemporaneously with the other two sets for the then Emperor of Austria. They illustrate all Raphael's characteristics of simplicity, clearness, and perfect intelligence of expression, and exhibit the highest attainments of the Flemish cartoons, having been designed by Raphael in the zenith of his powers, and exhibit throughout consummate mastery, and decision of thought and expression.

CHRISTMAS CHARITIES.

Yesterday being Christmas Day, the inmates in the following institutions received, as usual, a meat dinner and plum pudding:—

SOUTH DUBLIN UNION.

The inmates of this union, numbering about 2,500 persons, were yesterday regaled with a plentiful repast of the best ox and heifer beef, supplied by Mr. Long, of South George's-street, and selected by Messrs Rogers, Lawless, and Shannon, the committee who took upon themselves that charge. The dining-hall was tastefully decorated with evergreens, and every attention was paid to the comfort of those for whom the repast was provided. All the arrangements were efficiently carried out, and the inmates appeared well pleased. The following gentlemen were present:—John Lentaigne, Esq. J.P., D.L.; George G. Place, Esq. J.P.; Andrew Rogers, Esq.; Thomas Dockrell, Edmund Lawless, James Pinnock, Patrick Whelan, and Walter Lindsay, Esqrs. Mr and Mrs Franklin, Mr, Mrs, and Miss Shannon, Rev J O'Carroll, assistant Protestant chaplain, and Rev C Harris, assistant Roman Catholic chaplain. Amongst the visitors present we noticed the following:—The Rev R Fleming and family, W. Warren and family, Mr Farrell and family, John Martin, Esq. T. C., and lady, Parker (Swansea), Sackville-street), —Wybrants and — Fogarty, Esqrs.

NORTH DUBLIN UNION.

The inmates of this institution received the usual dinner on Christmas Day, consisting of beef, plum-pudding, vegetables, &c. The following guardians were in attendance:—R. M'Farland, Esq., Chairman; J. Norwood, Esq., V.C.; and Mrs. Norwood; B. Norwood, Esq., J.P.; J. O'Brien, Esq., R. J. Cusack, Esq., J.P.; J. Martin, Esq., and Mrs. Ryan; Thomas Arkins, Esq., G. Thorp, Esq., J. Cestmat, Esq., M. Gaveran, Esq., and Mrs. Gaveran. Amongst the following:—Lieutenant Thorp, J. Coall, Esq., and the Misses Coall; J. Taggart, Esq., — Hartford, Esq., and the Misses Cooke, W. Kane, Esq., J. Eldabli, Esq., Dr. Kirwan, surgeon to the Depot, Esq., J. Couran, Esq., H. Minchin, Esq., M.D., Physician N.D.U.; G. Brown, Esq., resident medical officer, &c.

MENDICITY INSTITUTION.

The usual Christmas dinner was provided by the committee for the comfort of this institution. His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, with his accustomed liberality, contributed a superior ox, weighing 1,008 lbs., and 200 loaves of bread. Upwards of 700 persons of the most destitute class of poor in the city (many of whom had seen better days) sat down to a substantial meal of roast and boiled beef, boiled mutton and bread. The committee were obliged to exclude a greater number than usual to seek admission to the annual dinner, and the committee deemed it prudent, after they had partaken of this excellent repast, to issue to each adult a small canvas bag filled with coal, to comfort them in their cheerless dwellings. Much credit is due to the Managing Committee for the excellent arrangements made by them for the comfort of their fellow-creatures. Amongst those present who assisted in carving the dinner and helping the poor, were—Thomas Vance, Esq; Rev Mr Quinton; Rev Dr Spratt; Rev Mr Lynch, Rev Mr M'Donald, Charles Sharpe, Esq; George Bushop, Esq; Hastings M Wainright, Esq; George Bishop, Esq; Ledger Wilson, Esq; Dr Denham, J Woods, Esq, and the Messrs Woods; George Whitestone, Esq, Mrs and Miss Whitestone, Thomas Sparks, Esq; T Kelly, Esq; John Maturin, Esq; Wm Parker, Esq, and Messrs Parker; Mayfield, Esq; J Usher, Esq, P Nugent, Esq, &c. Mr Fannin, or Leeson-st, with his usual liberality, has sent in three prime sheep, and several other kind friends have sent in contributions. The committee, therefore, intend giving a similar dinner to the poor on New Year's Day.

Thanks.

The Committee of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals thankfully acknowledges the receipt of the following sums in aid of the almost exhausted funds of the Society:—Mrs E Belford, £1; Miss F B ilford, 8s; Baron Greene, 10s; E Tickle, Esq, £1; R Atkinson, Esq, 10s; Dowager Countess Desert, 10s; Graham Lemon, Esq, 10s; A D Bradshaw, Esq, 2s 6d; Miss Burgh, 2s; A Armstrong, Esq, 10s.

Also in aid of the Fund for Watering Troughs for which a generous lady has offered £10, provided a further sum of £20 be collected before the 1st January, 1861:—J B Ball, Esq. and Miss Ball, £2; A Armstrong, Esq, 10s. This leaves nearly £11 yet to be collected.

The Clergy of St Michan's for the following additional contributions for the poor of the parish:—Alexander Findlater, Esq, £5; Messrs Alexander Findlater and Co. £2.

Mr John Aitkin to William Harris, Esq, for an order to distribute five tons of coal amongst the destitute poor in the immediate neighbourhood of Upper Baggot-street, without any regard to previous distinction, and also to distribute five pounds in a similar manner.

The Managing Committee of the Mendicity Institution thankfully acknowledge having received from John Levy, Esq., 72, Holles-street, £1 for the Christmas dinner. John Woodhouse, Esq., Lower Ormond-quay, for ditto, 10s; Mrs P J Gill-gan, James-street, 10s, and postage stamps, enclosed in an envelope, 5s.

Rev J Quinton, to the Archbishop of Dublin, for £3, for blankets and provisions for some of the deserving poor of St. Catherine's parish; and to a friend (M.) for 10s., for a distressed lady, resident therein, whose appeal appeared in this paper.

Doctor Ringland, 14, Harcourt-street, sub-treasurer of the Coombe Lying-in Hospital, most thankfully acknowledges to have received from Robert Quaals, Esq, 47, Back-lane, £5, being part of a bequest left him as executor of the late Mr Patrick Woods, of Cork-street.

From the Rev J Alcock to Dr. Tweedy, for one ton coal for the poor from Special Coal Fund, North side.

Rev Wm Marrable and Rev. Thomas Long to J J Davis, Esq, for £5 for quilts, &c. for the poor of St John's parish; also to same for £1, for coals for ditto, and 100 tickets for provisions for ditto. Rev Wm Marrable to Wm Williamson, Esq, for £1, for cases of distress in St John's parish. Rev Wm Marrable to his Grace the Archbishop of Dublin, for £3 for blankets, rugs, provisions, &c, for the poor of St John's parish.

Christmas in the Ragged Schools—From Mrs Smyly, to A Friend £1, half-note; the Misses and Masters Brooke, 6s 6d; Friends in Henry-street, 5s; the Misses Tolken, 10s; Mrs Hawkins, 5s; Mr and Mrs Manders, £2; Mrs Fuller and Miss Conolly, £1; Mrs White, 7s 6d; Charles Woodrooffe, Esq, 10s; Miss H Smith, 3s 6d; Thomas Berry, Esq, 10s; Mr and Miss Sands, £1; Mrs Bourne, to Miss Sherlock, 2s 6d; Miss Davis, 2s; Mrs Carmichael, £1; the Misses Bourne, 10s; Mrs J Boyce's children, 6s; the Misses Peter, 10s; Miss Boie, to Miss Lawler, 14s 6d; Mrs Hatchell, 2s 6d; Mrs L Bucknall, 2s 6d; Miss Shannon, 2s 6d; E B, 2s 6d; Mrs Brereton, 1s; Mrs Reynolds, 1s; Mrs Barry, 1s; Mrs Smyly and Miss Thompson, £2; Mrs Marable, 5s; J White, Esq, 5s; Miss E French, £1.

The Rev Hamilton Magee—From Mr Donaldson, Cavanaconce, Dundalk, Mr William Jack, and Mrs John Findlaysop, £1 each, towards building of new mission church.

Rev C H Minchin—For the poor, £2 5s; Miss Trench, £1; Dr J M'Donald, 5s; collection by Miss C A, 10s; Anon, 1s; Mrs E Smith, 2s 6d.

The Rev W G Carroll to his Grace the Archbishop of Dublin, for £3, to provide blankets and provisions for the poor of St Bridget's parish.

The Assistant Secretary to the Strangers' Friend Society to the Right Hon P G Crampton for £2; Alderman Atkinson, Lord Mayor-elect, £3; Henry Fry, Esq, £2 2s, in aid of the above exhausted funds. Further contributions earnestly solicited.

The Royal Irish Society for the Protection of Life from Fire for the following:—The Lord Lieutenant, £21; the Right Hon the Chief Secretary, £20; the Bank of Ireland, £20; the Earl of Howth, £10; William Shaw (European Assurance), £10; Captain Knox, £5; Patriotic Insurance, £5; Forster and Co, £5; Pim, Brothers, and Co, £7; T and Barton, Esq, £5; W S O'Brien, £3 3s; Wm Fry and Co., £4; Miss C Peter, £2; J H Tod, £1; W R Wilde, F.R.C.S.I., £1; James Malley, £1; James Oldham, £1; Charles Allen, £1; James Madden, £1; Joseph Manning, T C, £1; Forrest and Son, £1; Wiseheart and Son, £1; Thomas Crandfield, £1; Rodgers and Son, £1; R Antrobus, £1; Thomas Brunker, £1; C S Walker, £1; Rev G B Wheeler, £1; Christopher Palmer, £1; Henry Andrews, £1; Richard Galbraith, £1; B Waterhouse, £1; Henry Russell, £1; Captain Thornhill, £1; Rev W Harrabin, 10s; Dr Hans Irvin, £1; Very Rev Dr Sprat, £1; Dr Gorman, £1; S R Fraser, £1; R D Uffin, £1; Frederick Rambaut, £1; Wm Jury, £1; Alexander Cosgrave, £1; Thos Williamson, £1; Jas Mayfield, £1; Hon Col Jocelyn, £1; Joseph Scates, £1; Henry M'Cleane, £1; Robert Whitestone, £1; Waller and Co £1; the Attorney-General, M.P., £5; Reilly and Son, £1; Facine and Co, £1; Mrs Pigott, £1; Mrs Hayes, £1; Dr Gray, £1; F Power, £1; Robert Clokey, 5s 6d; James Daly, M.D., £1; William Allen, £1; Brown and Nolan, £1; W D La Touche, £1; Hall Larnan, £1; Scott, Bell, and Co, £2; Henry L. Allen, £1; James Cadwell, 5s; W K Clay, £1; James Flanagan, £1; Edward W Seymour, £1; D L Carroll, £1; W Turner, £1; L A Bryan, £1; P Carroll, £1; Archibald Goddard, £1; Messrs Fox, £1; Thomas M'Elvey, £1; Joseph Bullard, £1; John Donegan, £1; Foot and Co, £1; Misses Allen, 5s; James Shaw, 5s; S Bewley and Co, £1; Drake and M'Comas, £1; Thomas Norton, £4; Dublin and Liverpool Screw Steam Company, £1; Kenny and Owens, £1; J J Byrne, C.E., £1; G H Smith, £1; Henry Pigott, £1; Henry M'Cann, £1; Miller and Beatty, £1; Sibthorp and Son, £1; Cashel Bolton, £1; Lock, and Co, £1; Bagot and Hutton, £1; Thompson, D'Olier, and Co, £1; George Young, 5s; S S Reeves, £1; Hone and Barton, £1; Robert Sexton, £1; W Lamb, 5s; M S Maziere, 5s; Thomas Simpson, 10s; V Scully, M.P., £2.

The Army.

DEATH OF MAJOR GENERAL S. BRANDON BOILEAU.—This distinguished officer died suddenly, of disease of the heart, on Sunday evening, at his residence Hillsboro', Monkstown, in his 59th year.

THE LATE DR. JACKSON, H.M.'s 13th FOOT.—This much regretted officer, whose obituary we recorded on Monday, though young in years had seen a great deal of service. He was twice in India, and served during the whole of the mutiny. He was at the retaking of Lucknow, for which he received a medal. He had also been in New Zealand, Van Dieman's Land, Scutari, and the Crimea; and had he lived till June would have been Surgeon Major. He returned from India only on the 9th ult.

THE STAFF COLLEGE.

"GENERAL ORDER.

"Horse Guards, Dec. 22, 1860.

"The undermentioned officer has passed the examination for admission to the Senior Division of the Staff College, for a residence of one year only, under paragraph 13 of the Staff College regulations, published with the general order No. 473, dated January 23, 1860:—

Rank and Name	Regiment	No. of Marks Gained	Maximum
Capt. G. A. Wilkinson	Royal Artillery	1,324	2,250

"By order of his Royal Highness the General Commanding-in-Chief,

"JAMES YORKE SCARLETT, Adjutant-General."

The adjutant-general has issued a circular memorandum, addressed to the army at home and abroad, dated the 10th instant, wherein his Royal Highness the General Commanding-in-Chief desires that officers, while at Staff Colleges, are not to be required to pay the regulated subscription to the mess fund of the regiment.

The annexed circular memorandum, respecting non-commissioned officers for clerkships, has been addressed to the army at home and abroad:—

"Horse Guards, Dec. 18, 1860.

"With reference to the circular memorandum, dated Horse Guards, 6th July, 1857, relative to the appointment of retired or pensioned non-commissioned officers to clerkships in the six out-stations branches of the War Department, his Royal Highness the General Commanding-in-Chief hereby notifies that he has received a communication to the effect that the Secretary of State for War has decided for the future to appoint men of the class above mentioned only to clerkships in the manufacturing departments and purveying branch, and not to the military store branch being reserved for such candidates as may be found eligible under the following regulations prescribing the qualifications of clerks at out-stations of the War Office.

"All retired or pensioned non-commissioned officers from every arm of the service, whose names may be favourably brought to the notice of the Secretary of State by his Royal Highness, will, upon vacancies occurring, be eligible for employment as clerks in the purveying or manufacturing departments, provided they produce the certificates and pass the examination required by the annexed memorandum.

"Candidates for these situations will continue to send their applications to the military secretary, with the necessary certificates.—(By command)

"JAMES YORKE SCARLETT, Adjutant-General."

"ESTABLISHED AND TEMPORARY NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICER CLERKS IN THE PURVEYING AND MANUFACTURING DEPARTMENTS.

"Candidates for the situations of established non-commissioned officer clerks in the purveying and manufacturing departments must possess the following qualifications:—

"1. They must be under 42 years of age.

"2. They must be of good character.

"3. They must be in good health.

"They will, consequently, be required to produce satisfactory evidence on these points, and will not be noted for appointments without the production of a good character from their late commanding officers, transmitted through the military secretary to the Secretary of State for War, with the recommendation of his Royal Highness the General Commanding in Chief. Candidates will be examined by the Civil Service Commissioners in the undermentioned branches of knowledge:—

"FOR PERMANENT CLERKS.

"1. Exercises to test handwriting and orthography.

"2. Arithmetic (including vulgar and decimal fractions).

"3. English composition.

"TEMPORARY CLERKS.

"1. Exercise to test handwriting, orthography, and grammatical correctness.

"2. Arithmetic, elementary.

"In each of these subjects the candidates must pass a satisfactory examination."

The Navy.

INSTRUCTIONS TO SURVEYORS OF STEAM VESSELS.

SAFETY VALVES.

By way of addition to paragraphs 153 to 158.

On the 3d day of November last the boilers of the steamer Tonning, of London, exploded, causing great loss of life and property. At the time of the explosion the Tonning had a passenger certificate from this board.

An inquest was held by the coroner for Great Yarmouth, who is reported by the local newspapers to have made the following statements in summing up the evidence:—

"The owners of the vessel would not be liable criminally unless they absolutely knew the fact that the boilers would not bear a due pressure; and they could not be liable, moreover, because at the very time the accident occurred the vessel was running with a proper certificate from the Board of Trade. By no possibility, therefore, could the slightest blame attach to the owners. The only person against whom it could be possible to return an adverse verdict would be the chief engineer, as he had charge of the boilers at the time the accident happened.

"With reference to the Government valves, he (the coroner) was much struck with an observation made by Captain Robertson, and also by the chief engineer of the ship, that it would be desirable to examine such valves more frequently from time to time. But it appeared from the evidence that all other engineers of steamers were in the habit of trusting entirely to the examination of Government surveyors; and, therefore, although it might be very proper and desirable that engineers should look at Government valves, he did not think the fact of their not having been looked at in this instance ought to bear hardly against the engineer of the Tonning. One could scarcely expect the engineer of a steamer to look at the Government valves, unless some rule of a general character was laid down on the subject."

The above observations, if correctly reported, no doubt had reference to the particular case of the Tonning. The Board of Trade do not wish, in issuing the following instructions, to be considered as criticising the coroner's statements. But since the report, as printed and circulated, is calculated to produce erroneous impressions, the Board of Trade claim the right to impress upon the surveyors, and through them upon the masters and owners of the vessels which they survey, the two following points:—

1. That there is no provision in the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, exempting the owner of any vessel, on the ground that she has been surveyed by the Board of Trade surveyors, from any liability, civil or criminal, to which he would otherwise be subject.

2. That it is clearly the duty of the masters and engineers of vessels to see, in the intervals between the surveys, that the Government safety valve, as well as the other safety valves, and the rest of the machinery, are in proper working order.

The Act of Parliament requires the Government safety valve to be out of the control of the engineer when the steam is up. This enactment, far from implying that he is not to have access to it, and to see to its working at proper intervals when the vessel is in port, rather implies the contrary; and the master should take care that the engineer has access to it for this purpose.

T. H. FARRER, Assistant Secretary,
Marine Department.

Board of Trade, Dec. 20.

The Constabulary.

The Lords Justices have been pleased, on the recommendation of Sir Henry S. Brownrigg, C.B., Inspector-General of Constabulary, to promote Trant M'Cartley, Esq., S.I., Clogheen, to the second class of his rank.

Sub-Inspector Brereton has been moved to Listowel, and is replaced at Ballinasloe, by Sub-Inspector Reilly, from the depot, Phœnix Park. Mr. Brereton's departure from this vicinity, is much regretted, as he was greatly esteemed by the gentry of the district surrounding the sphere of his duties, while his excellent discharge of those duties, and the care he bestowed in the protection of life and property, and the preservation of the peace, prove the efficient service which he rendered while stationed at Ballinasmalt.

DESPERATE CASE OF STABBING.—Last night, a man named John Hickey was stabbed in the abdomen by a man named Peter Rickard, with whom he had a quarrel in a house in South King-street. The injured man was conveyed to Mercer's Hospital, where he still remains in a very doubtful state.

THE PRIZE RING.—An entertainment, called in the advertisement a "Grand Pistic Tournament, and Great Treat to the Lovers of the Noble Art," was given on Monday, at three o'clock and eight, in the little Theatre of the Portobello Gardens. The attendance, as might be expected, consisted, if not of the canaille of gentlemen, not very far removed from that body. Several policemen were in the grounds outside to preserve order. The entertainment was under the management of John Levett, who, however he may have entitled himself in other respects to the approbation of the citizens of Dublin, is certainly not likely to add to his "good name" by lending his encouragement to exhibitions so low and demoralising, as those of the prize ring. Although the different "feats at arms" were conducted with covered fists, there was quite enough opportunity afforded the combatants to handle each other roughly. If any person visited the entertainment hoping to see specimens of good muscular development, he must have been disappointed; for, with but one or two exceptions, all the "Champions" who were introduced on the platform, or stage, presented a wretched, poverty-stricken, forbidding exterior. There could be very little either new or attractive in witnessing contests, in which not a particle of what they term "skill" was exhibited, and a very small share, indeed, of brute force. One thing is certain, that so far from being a successful effort to establish the prize fighting system in Dublin, the ludicrous and shabby attempt of Monday was sufficient to bring the whole matter into the most perfect contempt, even amongst those very persons who are disposed to patronise the ring.

LATEST NEWS.

BY MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH.

TIMES OFFICE,
Four o'clock, a.m.

RATIFICATION OF THE TREATY WITH CHINA.

DETAILS OF THE STIPULATIONS.

PEKIN, 31st Oct.—The Treaty of Tien-tsin was ratified, and the Convention signed here on the 24th October by Lord Elgin and Prince Hung. The same formalities were gone through with Baron Gros on the following day.

The indemnity to be paid by the Chinese has been fixed at 8,000,000 taels. The following is a summary of the Convention:—

In article 1st the Emperor regrets the misunderstanding at the Taku Forts last year.

Article 2nd stipulates that a British Minister shall reside at Pekin.

Article 3rd arranges the payment of the indemnity by instalments.

Article 4th opens the port of Tien-tsin to trade.

Article 5th removes the interdict on emigration.

Article 6th codes Kooloon to the British Crown.

Article 7th provides for the immediate operation of the Treaty of Tien-tsin.

Article 8th orders the promulgation of the Treaty throughout China.

Article 9th stipulates Ministers to reside at Pekin.

Indemnity fixed to be doubled.

Tien-tsin to be opened to trade; emigration allowed.

Kooloon ceded to the British Crown.

Treaty of Tein-tsin, and convention of Pekin, to be put in immediate operation, and to be published throughout the empire.

FATE OF CAPTAIN BRABAZON AND ABBE DE LUC.

Captain Brabazon and Abbe De Luc were beheaded on or about September 21, after the battle of Pah-li-chow; bodies not recovered.

HONOURS PAID TO THE VICTIMISED PRISONERS.

The bodies of the prisoners who died in the hands of the Chinese were brought in and buried with honours, in the Russian Cemetery, on October 17.

MISCELLANEOUS INTELLIGENCE.

The sum of £100,000 has been exacted for the families of the British officers who have been murdered.

Lord Elgin resides in Pekin.

The Emperor is at Zhehol, in Tartary. Messrs. Bowlby, De Norman, and Anderson had been buried with great solemnity. Brabazon was beheaded about September 21. The Abbe de Luc also met with the same fate.

The insurgents are still levying tribute in various places, and are menacing Ningpo. Indemnities were expected from the Chinese for the families of the deceased.

The English and French Ministers left Shanghai for Tien-tsin. Major Anson has arrived, charged with dispatches from Sir Hope Grant for the War-office, and leaves this day.

Trieste, December 24, 1860.

SIEGE OF GAETA—CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN NAPOLEON III. AND FRANCIS II.

GAETA, 18TH DEC.—An enormous quantity of shot and shell were thrown into Gaeta yesterday, by the Sardinians. Some of them fell in the garden of the palace, where the King and Queen were dining with the Spanish Ambassador. The bombardment has since slackened, and the damages caused in the town is not considerable.

The King has received a letter from the Emperor Napoleon. In this letter the Emperor expresses his sympathy for the King, but tells him that he has carried on the siege long enough for his honour.

The King, in his reply, thanked the Emperor, but added that he considered it his duty to persist in the defence.

GAETA, DEC. 22, VIA MARSEILLES.—The bombardment of Gaeta continues with increased vigour.

The Spanish Ambassador has left the Palace on account of its being riddled with bullets.

Two officers had been struck while standing near the King.

New Sardinian batteries can be seen evidently ready to take part in the bombardment.

A deputation has arrived here from Calabria, and has promised to raise an insurrection in favour of the King.

NAPLES, DEC. 22ND.—The classes of the last four years are to assemble at the end of February.

ROME, DEC. 22ND.—Considerable quantities of provisions are being despatched to Gaeta.

VICTOR EMMANUEL AT NAPLES.

NAPLES, 24TH.—The King has held a reception of the nobility of the Court, which was numerously attended. An enthusiastic demonstration in favour of his Majesty took place in the evening. The King will leave Naples on Thursday next, after having assisted at the ball of the National Guard.

Farini is about to publish the commercial law for Naples. The state of the provinces is very satisfactory.

THE PAPAL TERRITORY.

The news from Rome is of an energetic character. The Reonard and Belleras, which left Naples for the Roman States, were not allowed to land their passengers at Civita Vecchia, the pretext being that 600 Garibaldians were on board. Against this Mr. Otho Russell has protested. Sacarta has arrived at Naples.

HUNGARIAN POLITICS.

PESTH, 24TH DEC.—The appointments of the members of the Governorship Council for Hungary have arrived here from Vienna. Count Ladislaus Kardlije is appointed Vice-President of the Council. Councillor Szallacy has been appointed Director of the Court of Chancery. The Councillors are to enter upon their duties on the 2nd of January next, at which day the present offices of the Governorship will be abolished. The circular of Baron von Schmerling has created a great sensation.

JUDGMENT IN THE CASE OF MR. M'DONALD AT BONN.

BONN, DEC. 24.—Judgment has been pronounced in the affair of Mr. M'Donald. The defendants Huddely Rapp, Washington, Rochford, Thurston, and Oldfield were acquitted, Perry, Anderson, Cumberland, and Drummond were found guilty, with extenuating circumstances, of having committed an offence against the State Procurator, Moler, while in the performance of his official duty. The extenuating circumstances were declared to apply in a less degree in the case of Perry, who was fined 100 dollars, or five weeks' imprisonment in default; the other three were fined 25 dollors each, or nine days' imprisonment in default.

THE AUSTRIAN MINISTRY.

A Ministerial crisis at Vienna is likely to terminate in the resignation of Count Rechberg and Count Isedeen. Baron Hubner is likely to be sent for. The home and foreign policy of Austria is expected to undergo a great change.

AMERICA.

The commercial accounts from New York elicit conflicting observations.

The *Daily News* says they indicate a continued feeling of discouragement in all commercial circles.

The *Times* presents a more hopeful view, and notices a full rally of about five per cent. in most of the principal stocks, although specie from this country had yet to come into the market.

The Europa, with £108,800, only just reached Boston as the mail left. The Bank returns for the week showed a small increase in the stock of bullion, and the *Times* adds there was evidently a better feeling in all quarters.

DIPLOMATIC AND MILITARY ARRANGEMENTS.

SIGNE, OCTOBER 24.—The English and French Ambassadors took up their residence in the capital, and will remain there till November 9th. The French army retired from Pekin on 1st November. The English would remain until the assassinators left, a large force to remain at Tien-Tsin till treaty conditions be fulfilled; principal clauses, with apology from the Emperor for affairs of Peiho last year.

The allied armies were to leave Pekin on the 8th November.

It is reported that the First Royals, the 87th, the Queen's, the Buffs, and the Marines proceed to England.

THE LONDON *TIMES* ON THE TREATY.

The *Times* remarks on the happy coincidence which brings authentic news of peace with China, just as the bells are ringing their first Christmas chimes. The *Times* heartily congratulates the country on the conditions of peace. By the fourth article, Tien-tsin at once becomes an open mart for trade, and brings us into direct commercial communication with Pekin. The acquisition of Kooloon is a real benefit; it is a small peninsula directly opposite Hong-Kong, and forms the northern shore of the harbour of Hong-Kong. It is now a refuge for the scum of the Chinese population, and will now be subject to our police regulations. This is not a conquest; it is merely the acquisition of a piece of building-land. The *Times*, in conclusion, says:—"The great Empire of China has been opened to European commerce. If we act wisely for the future, the necessity for these expensive pestilent expeditions is at an end, and let us then receive never again to rush into a war, resent an imaginary insult, or to vindicate British etiquette against Chinese etiquette."

SLANDER OF LORD DOWNSHIRE.

Lord Sandys has written to the *Globe* with respect to a paragraph referring to his lordship's nephew, the Marquis of Downshire. Lord Sandys says he has every reason to believe, that as soon as time and distance will permit, the allegations in question will receive the most unqualified contradiction.

FRENCH FUNDS.

PARIS, MONDAY, 3-20 P.M.—The Bourse has undergone no alteration. Rentes closed at 68 20, or same as on Saturday.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Prince of Wales is expected to pay a visit to the Duke of Newcastle, at Clumber Park, early in the ensuing year.

Monday was kept as a holiday as far as possible. The Stock Exchange was closed. The bank was open, but there were scarcely any applications for discount, and no bullion operations took place.

The rise in the corn markets, on Monday, is partially attributed to the improved condition of samples. Accounts from Paris state that trade is rather worse.

FIRE-ESCAPES, BRIGADE, AND APPLIANCES.—Mr. Henry E. Flynn—whose letter, under the above heading, appeared in our issue of the 11th instant—has called at this office, and exhibited to us a small model of "The Royal Victoria Safety Fire-Escape," and to assure us that after various inquiries he has only waited for the matured estimate for supplying the entire apparatus, by one of the most respectable, extensive, and competent firms in this city, which will undertake that every portion will be supplied of the very best material, and of the exact dimensions, quality, and strength laid down by the inventor. The whole and every part thereof is calculated, and may be warranted to bear a strain or support a weight more than six times that which ever could be required, and, with common care to last perfectly sound and good for some few years without the expenditure of one shilling for keep. The escape is in three parts—no one part over 9lbs. weight—so that the whole is perfectly portable by a small boy. Mr. Flynn has been assured that their estimate for each escape, perfect, will not exceed two pounds, including a galvanised iron can, and a fire-plug key or wrench, all properly secured under lock and key, and the case perfectly fixed to, and conveniently attached or put up on a corner or central upright lamp-post in every street in the city of Dublin. A sum fabulously small. Mr. Flynn requires no profit—any which could be derived from patent right he freely yields to the cause of humanity. His second letter will appear some day next week.

SOUTH DUBLIN COAL FUND.—At this season, at once so festive and so dreary, we cannot too earnestly recommend, to the sympathies of the humane the claims of the above-named meritorious charity. The nearest approach to a palliative for deficiency of food and clothing is the warm hearth; and if even this be denied to the poor by the apathy or heartlessness of the rich, the misery of the former can hardly equal the responsibility of the latter.

THE WEATHER.—The frost has continued without intermission, and with a good deal of severity, but as is usual during such weather, the clearness of the atmosphere and its bracing and invigorating influence render out-of-door exercise attractive and healthful. No snow has fallen for the last few days, and in several of the most crowded thoroughfares the traffic has worn away nearly all appearance of the snow which fell in the commencement of last week, but the continued frost has preserved the white covering of the roof tops and of the roads and fields. From about Essex-bridge down towards the Custom House the river has been partially frozen, and from Essex-bridge upentirely so. A thick covering of ice has been formed on the canals, and all ponds and standing collections of water are held fast in icy fetters. During yesterday thousands of men and boys were actively exercising themselves skating or sliding upon the canals and upon the pond in the Phœnix Park. Although numbers experienced the uncertainty of an ice flooring, and unwillingly fell victims to the law of gravitation, we have not heard of any serious accident. Precautions were taken to guard against fatal results. Several policemen were in attendance at the pond in the park, with ropes and drags to render assistance in the event of the ice breaking and any person falling in.

Correspondence.

STATUE TO THE LATE SIR HENRY MARSH.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

December 23rd.

SIR,—Now that it has been resolved that a statue shall be erected to the late Sir Henry Marsh, there appear to be only two questions to be decided—namely, the artist by whom the statue is to be executed, and the site on which it shall be erected.

For the first, let us hope that whoever the successful artist may be, he may be shown the College-green statue, and told that the statue he is to execute is not to be like that in any respect.

And for the site, can there be a better place selected than Merrion-square, the scene of the late doctor's toils and triumphs?

The very air breathed on that spot seems redolent of the congregate within the sacred enclosure, and for years the footsteps have recognised their different and long wonderfully unanimous, as to the claims of Merrion-square to their attention.

Surely being the case, what can be more appropriate than to erect the proposed statue, within the dedicated enclosure, and let the late lamented baronet still look down with calm smile on the labours, the hopes, and fears of his younger brethren.—I am, sir, your obedient servant,

A STRANGER.

THE LATE SIR HENRY MARSH, BART.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—When a proper time arrives the next issue of the *Times* following my decease is sure to contain his biographical memoir. Whether such articles are ready cut and dry in the office in Printing-house-square, or are written on the spur of the moment, is more than I can tell; but this we all feel that they are specimens of strong, nervous writing—exact in fact, graphic in narrative, minute in details, and brilliant in language, partaking of the easy style of which Macaulay was the chief. They quench for the moment all political animosities, and mourn with a nation the loss of the great man who has just passed from amongst us. The burning words just referred to, are read and re-read with delight, and find an echo in the tongues of all who understand the English language—but with all fair and due acknowledgment to the source from whence the information has been derived. This is not always the case in our own country. We extract, plagiarise, clip, paste, and appropriate often without acknowledgment in a manner which, although relished by readers, certainly does not conduce to the maintenance of the honourable spirit which should actuate the commonwealth of literature. I have no objection to a fair paraphrase, nor can a lengthened quotation be gainsaid, provided the author to whom his article has been derived, or even slightly refers his readers to such and such a work "for further information."

Many years ago the then editor and proprietor of the *Dublin University Magazine* determined to produce a series of biographies of eminent natives of this country, to be illustrated, under the head of the "Gallery of Illustrious Irishmen," and the living, in contemporaneously-published memoirs, styled "Our Portrait Gallery." Under these two heads appeared memoirs of Burke, Swift, Sheridan, Grattan, Molyneux, and others, who, in their day, figured in and illustrated Irish history; and in the latter appeared Plunket and Bush, O'Connell, Maginn, Maxwell, Carleton, Cæsar Otway, Petrie, Graves, Whiteside, and a host of others, some still amongst us, but not a few gone to that bourne where they are neither affected by the homage of a nation nor the panegyric of a scribe. These articles, as many of your readers well know, were "the talk of the town," and intensely liberal, considering the times in which they were written, and the periodical in which they appeared. Honour to the man—the Scotchman—who devised and carried on these memoirs, and all honour to the press that, totally irrespective of creeds or politics, upheld him and them. They were the only memoirs in the past, either there are in Irish-men worthy of biography, or the *Dublin University Magazine* does not think it advisable to publish them. Your readers will accept whichever of these propositions they individually think most likely to be true.

Once an article appears in a periodical it would seem that subsequent writers upon the same subject imagine they have a right to make use of it, to make any literary, commercial, or pecuniary use of it, without reference and without acknowledgment. Thus, some years ago, in a book called "The Men of the Times," published by Mr. H. Bohn, of London, there appeared biographical memoirs of two Irishmen—Sir Robert Kane and Sir Robert M'Cl

Foreign Intelligence.

FRANCE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, Dec. 22, 1860.—All the French journals indignantly deny the truth of the English account of the plundering of the Emperor of China's Summer Palace. The *Moniteur* publishes a letter from General Montauban, giving his version of it, in which, of course, the French are described as having acted a most disinterested part. The *Patrie*, as usual, characterises the English account as of "*complètement inexacte*." I wish, for the sake of variety, they might learn a new phrase, one is so tired of reading that one.

By an Imperial decree the Commission of Historical Monuments is removed from under the control of the Minister of the Interior, and placed in the department of the Minister of State.

The Duke de Cutrofiano has left Marseilles on his return to Gaeta, after fulfilling a mission from Francis II. to the Northern Courts.

The rupture of diplomatic relations between the Courts of Bavaria and Turin is officially announced in the *Munich Gazette*. The relationship of the Bourbons with the house of Bavaria is the reason assigned for this step.

At the request of the Government, the Archbishop of Freiburg has interdicted the clergy in Baden from colebrating Peter's Pence in private houses.

The *Moniteur* announces another court mourning of three weeks, for the Queen Dowager of Sweden, the present King's grandmother.

The steamer Reine Hortense has been ordered round to Marseilles, to be ready to receive the remains of the late Duchesse d'Albe, which were removed yesterday from the church at Rueil, and despatched by the Lyons Railway to Marseilles, to be conveyed from thence to Cordova.

Last night "Phedre" and the "Plaideurs," were performed at the Theatre Francais, in commemoration of the 221st anniversary of Racine's birthday.

A very gay wedding has just taken place at the Church of St. Clothilde, in presence of all the *elite* of Paris. The bride was Madlle. Soult de Dalmatie, granddaughter of the Marshal, and the bridegroom son of Marshal Reille, and grandson, on his mother's side, of Marshal Massena. Such a re-union of marshals was never heard of before.

The Prussian Government has caused new experiments to be made with cottonpowder, and the result has been so satisfactory they have given orders for the supply of a large quantity. There is a Mons. Rahn here just now, who is giving a series of lectures on his new mode of teaching music, by which he promises that any person after a short course of study, may not only understand and analyse music as a science, but even arrive at composition mechanically. He has studied the science of music for the last ten years in London, Germany, Italy, and France, where he has been received with the greatest eclat at the Conservatoire. He has just published a most valuable book on the fundamental rules and analyses of music, as well as the study of harmony and thorough bass, all of which has hitherto been so difficult to understand perfectly, but now, thanks to his persevering labours, they have been reduced into such a simple and comprehensive form as to be within the reach of the dullest pupils. Mons. Rahn's system is described by Auber, Halevy, and all the great authorities as the Conservatoire, as nothing short of marvellous, and it is needless to add it has created a great sensation in the musical world here. He purposes visiting London and Dublin as soon as his engagements here will permit, so you will have an opportunity of hearing what he has to say on the subject, and of forming your own estimation of the value of his system. When you have heard him, I think you will admit the Parisians have not awarded it too much praise.

The subjoined is from a correspondent, dating Paris, Lon. time:—

It is stated that the meeting of the Cabinet Council at the Tuileries on Wednesday was exceedingly stormy. M. Troplong, President of the Senate, who, though not a Minister, was present in virtue of his office to the intense surprise of his colleagues, delivered a long, and, for him, vigorous speech, attacking violently the Emperor's policy in Italy, which he described as revolutionary. Piedmont, Cavour, Garibaldi, and Victor Emmanuel also came in for a large share of invective. M. Troplong concluded his speech by telling the Emperor that the Senate would not support him in his revolutionary policy, and that he would himself have an amendment moved to the address protesting against it. It is hard to imagine how the Emperor could succeed in keeping his countenance at this notion of the independence of the Senate. He did not seem, I am credibly informed, much terrified at the threat of M. Troplong, but with a quiet smile merely said that he had nothing to do with the internal affairs of Piedmont, while he (as indeed the *Moniteur* and M. Thouvenel's dispatches would show, was in defiance of his own cautions. Matters in Italy were in sad confusion. He had been lately thinking that it would be practicable to divide Italy into two kingdoms, one north the other south. From this, which was no doubt intended to be sincere, it would appear that Prince Murat's prospects are looking up. The Emperor was, therefore, surprised, and even looked nasty, when M. Billio thinking, no doubt, that this notion of a double kingdom was meant merely to throw dust in the eyes of the worthy Troplong, violently opposed it, under the evident impression that he was carrying favour in so doing. But to his consternation his Imperial master merely replied, "M. le Ministre, je ne partage pas votre manière de voir," and proceeded to other business, leaving poor M. Billio wofully crest-fallen. I cannot, of course, vouch for the correctness of this report, but it reaches me from a source in which reliance may be placed; the little scene in question was, moreover, described at a *soiree* given last night by a relative of the Imperial family, through which channel it has oozed out.

It is affirmed that Russia has intimated to the Court of the Tuileries that in the event of the French fleet withdrawing from Gaeta a Russian man-of-war would be immediately ordered to break the blockade.

The following are particulars of the accident already briefly mentioned, which occurred to the William Cory, whilst laying the submarine telegraph cable destined to connect Toulon with Algiers:—The cable was on board of the same was safely landed in the Bay of Sablettes on the 14th inst., and the William Cory got under weigh in the afternoon about three o'clock. The following day, at noon, having run a distance of 89 miles, the William Cory signalled the Gomer (the frigate appointed by the French Government to attend upon her) to communicate for the purpose of exchanging observations. In doing so the Gomer ran close in upon the William Cory, striking her on the port side just abaft the main rigging, and carrying away funnels, mizenmast, steering wheel, and paying-out machinery. It being impossible to proceed with the operation, the cable was buoyed in about 1,300 fathoms water, and the Gomer towed the William Cory into Toulon harbour. This accident is much to be regretted, as up to the time the cable was cut—after being buoyed—the communication between the ship and the shore was perfect, and it is stated that there is every hope, after the William Cory is repaired, that the operation can be successfully completed. The steam corvette Canton has been despatched by the French Government from Toulon to attack the buoy.

ITALY.

A Turin letter of the 19th, in the *Debats*, says:—

The news that Francis II. had refused the armistice has been a surprise to everybody here. It was thought that the young King would take advantage of the negotiations proposed by a friendly Power to escape with honour from his present awkward position. He has, however, shown no disposition to do so. The withdrawal of the French fleet is here considered as the necessary consequence of his refusing the armistice, and great hopes are entertained that the place will not hold out long when attacked both by sea and land. It is supposed that Francis II. expects to prolong his existence till spring, which does not appear very likely. Perhaps he indulges illusions as to the extent of the Royalist reaction. The Italian journals in the interest of Austria all notice the late pamphlet, the appearance of which is certainly the event of the day in Italy. The *Verona Journal* reprints the whole of it, and adds a commentary of exceeding violence. If these journals express the real sentiments of the Vienna Cabinet, there is nothing to be hoped from negotiations, and it is easy to understand why Francis II. passages his resistance. The mobilised National Guard of Modena left yesterday, and the battalion from Perugia is to arrive to-morrow. People ask why the Government persists unnecessarily in these mobilisations, which fatigue the citizens and are a heavy charge on the Treasury. In the present interval of peace, or at least of truce, it would be better to let people attend to their own business, and keep their zeal for a moment when it may be really useful.

Prince Eugene of Savoy-Carignan has issued a decree, on the report of the Minister of Agriculture and Commerce, fixing the proportion of alloy in the new copper money to be issued throughout Italy at 960 thousandths of copper to 40 thousandths of tin. The coins are to bear the effigy of Victor Emmanuel on the obverse, and a crown of laurel and oak on the reverse, with the value and date in the centre.

INJUDICIOUS USE OF FIRE-ARMS, AND THE RESULT.—Saturday last, two young men were out "tracing" hares in the snow in the neighbourhood of Killead, and carrying guns to shoot "puss" when she might happen to start before her foes. One of them, having seen a hare, immediately fired, but instead of hitting the game, he lodged the contents of the gun in the thigh of his comrade, a young man named Cumley. The latter was soon placed on a side car, a really antiquated mode of conveyance, and brought to Belfast, when he was taken into the General Hospital. Fortunately, none of the arteries have been touched, but the wounded man lost a considerable quantity of blood, and lies in father a precarious condition.—*Belfast News-Letter*.

PRIVATE TELEGRAPHS.—An interesting morning was spent on Friday, at Mr. Reuter's house, by a number of gentlemen invited to inspect a private telegraph, one of those which the Universal Private Telegraph Company propose to establish in offices and elsewhere. For this purpose the company extend a rope, containing a great number of fine insulated wires, over the streets and houses, and any one of those wires may be rented. To render such arrangements practicable, it was essential, in the first place, that the wire connections should be effectually made at a comparatively small cost. This object is obtained by Mr. Silver's process for insulating wires by coating them with India rubber. The wires are very much thinner than bell-wires, and a rope containing upwards of 30 of them properly insulated is barely half an inch in diameter. The rope is fixed on poles at the tops of the houses, about 200 yards apart, and it is said that the company have experienced no difficulty in obtaining the consent of the occupiers to have the poles fixed on their dwellings. This arrangement is so economical that the company offer to let out each wire at the rent of £4 per mile per annum. The instruments to be employed are the magneto-electric telegraph, invented by Professor Wheatstone, its mechanism being slightly modified to adapt it to its new duties.

THE MANIFESTO OF FRANCIS II.

It is a modern maxim among our medical men to give new names to old diseases. Some of them tell us that the human animal has changed within the last half-century, and that the sanguineous, porter-imbibing creature, which used to be bled and bled again in the last generation is altogether extinct, and is succeeded by a biped subject to new modifications of disease which require more delicate treatment, and are therefore better designated by new names. Men died of diphtheria and *morbus Brightea* long before the barbarous nomenclature was coined, but perhaps the symptoms might have been a little different or the diagnosis less exact. The same change seems to have taken place in political disorders. In other and more barbarous days, when there was an inflammatory disease in the body politic, they used to take the head of the State and subject him to violent treatment, committing at once a barbarity and a blunder. Now, however, an entirely different style of cure has taken the place of the old. Nothing more violent than change of air is ever prescribed for even the most furious cases of frenzy in the head of our body politic. There seems also to be a change of symptoms in the patient. We have the misfortune of witnessing just now the extreme agony of two well-established sovereignties which are both about to disappear from the living society of Europe. Every convulsion bids fair to be the last. Day by day we look for the telegrams which shall tell us that the Royalty of Naples has ceased to be, that Prince Pio Nono has renounced all worldly things, and that the sovereignty of Rome has lapsed. The death-rattle of modern sovereignties is expressed in protests and manifestoes. These generally increase in violence according to the weakness of the patient, and, if we may judge from the obscurer of that which has just issued from the casemate where Francis II. is now taking refuge from the shells of the Italian army, the Bourbon sovereignty in Italy must be getting feeble indeed.

That manifesto of poor Francis II., which we published on Saturday, reads like the electioneering address of some desperate candidate. If its concluding paragraph did not so completely betray its ecclesiastical origin in the unnecessary and ostentatious introduction of the "new dogma" into a political State paper, we should be inclined to think that his waning Majesty had been indebted for the document to some one intimately acquainted with the electioneering contests of these islands. "Rally round Timmins, the farmer's friend," cries the English candidate; "Unite round the throne of your fathers," cries the Royal victim of Universal Suffrage. "What has the Ministry done for you but double your taxes and destroy the agriculture of the kingdom?" asks Timmins. "What has the revolution done for the people of Naples and Sicily?" asks the Royal candidate at the bottom of the poll. Like Timmins' he avoids the question of any great Measure of Reform. The finances, formerly so flourishing, are completely ruined; the administration is in chaos, individual security does not exist; the prisons are full of persons arrested on suspicion; instead of liberty the state of siege is established in the provinces, and a foreign general publishes martial law, and decrees that all those of my subjects who do not bow before the flag of Sardinia shall be immediately shot. Assassination is recommended, regicide obtains an apotheosis, respect of the holy worship of our fathers is called fanaticism; promoters of civil war, traitors to the country, receive pensions which the pacific citizen has to pay. Anarchy is everywhere. Foreign adventurers have laid hands on everything to satisfy the avidity or the passions of their companions." It is useal in electioneering addresses to take strong liberties with facts, but Timmins, here outdone. We do not think we ever saw in any English election handbill such very powerful liberties taken with the useful figure of hyperbole as the Ecclesiastical Secretary of Francis II. has taken in this stirring appeal. It is allowed to the moribund to prophesy, and the declining Sovereign of the dissolving kingdom of Naples foresees even still worse evils than those he now denounces. Like other oracles, the prophecy is a little ambiguous, but it runs thus:—"There is a remedy for these evils, and for the still greater calamities which I foresee—namely, concord, resolution, faith in the future." Premising that the "concord," resolution, and faith in the future" be understood in the sense of remedies, and not as "greater calamities," all the world will echo the advice of Francis II., but scarcely in the sense in which he gives it. It unfortunately happens that all the evils he depicts are, in the eyes of his former subjects, either blessings; described in flattering, or accidents incident to all Governments, but much exaggerated in the past and much mitigated under the present. It is unfortunate, too, that there are many prisoners now at liberty, both in Naples and Palermo, who can read and comment on the assertions that this King lost his throne "because it was too painful to him to punish," and again, because "at the moment at which the ruin of his enemies was certain he held back the arm of his Generals, in order that no concurrence in the destruction of Palermo." Whether the prisons of Naples and Palermo were empty, and whether the city of Palermo was bombarded or not, the general knowledge of Europe may determine, but history will at least accord to the last of the Italian Bourbons that he did not lose his throne for want of audacity in the use of the pen.

It is time this drama were over. The last act has lost its dignity, and degenerates into farce. This appeal to a popular enthusiasm which never existed, and to a loyalty which has long since been worn out by long suffering, is simply ridiculous. It is like Timmins, covered with unsavoury eggs, and bruised with cabbage-stalks, shouting still "Rush to the poll," and complimenting the crowd upon their patriotic enthusiasm. The people whom Francis II. appeals to really cared for the throne of their fathers have just voted him unanimously out of that throne; and the only people who wish him back again are the professional beggars whose loath-some trade has been suppressed, who are in fear of being made to earn their bread, and the clerical and lay advisers of the confiding young man those clerical advisers have ruined. Since this manifesto was published the rumour has been rife that the interdict which had been placed upon the entrance of the Sardinian fleet into the bay of Gaeta has been withdrawn, and that the King is left to his fate. This report has not yet assumed the form of an authenticated fact, but it would seem to be the only course consistent with the position of any great European Power. The siege of Gaeta is no longer a contest for any worthy object. Francis II. is not fighting for personal liberty or for his throne. The one is not in peril, and the other is lost. He is wasting the lives of his friends in order that he may skulk from shelter to shelter for a day or two longer in the city of Gaeta. It may be, indeed, that the priests are deluding him with vain stories of what will come of their intrigues among the beggars of Naples, and that he is a dupe to the last; but it is time that the eyes of the great Powers of Europe should be averted from what is now becoming little more than a police operation, and that all impediments should be removed which delay the expulsion of a Sovereign whose sway has dwindled from a kingdom to a shell-riddled fortress.

THE CRISIS IN NEW ZEALAND.

(FROM THE TIMES.)

The Maori insurrection is producing a grave crisis in the fortunes of New Zealand. It is as far as ever from being suppressed. Lately, indeed, the Waikoddis of the rebel chief Wirimu-Kingi withdrew in large numbers from the contest, not from dread of our arms—which they seem to hold in contempt, and which the events of the past six months certainly justify—but for the providential and prosaic purpose of securing the spoil of which they have plundered our countrymen, and to plant potatoes so that they may be able to meet the exigencies of the coming year. Encouraged by this temporary retirement of so considerable a body of the enemy, our troops, 1,500 strong, advanced to the north of New Plymouth against some of the native pahs in that locality and after some beautiful artillery practice, "rushed" the stockades, and found them empty! These achievements were not effected, in every case, without some loss on our side. On moving against the Huiranji pah, our men were received with a heavy fire from the Maoris, who lay concealed in a dense plantation of peach-trees, and were ultimately compelled to retire, with the loss of one man killed and four wounded, leaving the body of the slain soldier in the hands of the rebels. It is humiliating enough to know that British troops have, under any circumstances, to retire before an enemy; but what renders this repulse especially disgraceful is the fact that the natives engaged in the skirmish did not number fifty men! An expedition to the south displayed the same prudence in advancing and alacrity in retiring. The contingent, 500 strong, succeeded in destroying eight empty pahs, but, on advancing to reconnoitre the ninth, it was found occupied by the foe, and an engineer officer having declared that it could not be carried without mortar, the expedition returned to town, covered with anything but glory. General Pratt, however, does not yet despair. When the mail left he was busily making preparations to strike a decisive blow somewhere. With 3,000 brave men at his disposal, aided with all the resources that wealth and science can produce, and opposed to an enemy destitute of every requisite of success save courage, the general calls for more men from England, to share, of course, the triumphs of the coming campaign. With ten thousand men we have dictated peace to the Emperor of China in his own capital; it must be some strange cause that so robs our men of their manhood that a third of that force in New Zealand finds it all they can do to save their throats from the knives of a few hundred semi-savages, the other half meanwhile, and with much of this old spirit still leavening them. In the mean while, as a divided authority is decidedly unfavourable to the energetic prosecution of any enterprise—however excellent a cloak for mismanagement and incapacity—and as the crisis in New Zealand will tax the powers of a really able man, Governor Browne has very sensibly agreed to waive the regulations favourable to his authority. This act places the power and responsibility in the same hand as it should be—that of General Pratt; and it will enable us to see if, for once, we have in that officer, in the time of need, the right man in the right place. One of the first measures of the General was as judicious as it was humane. The settlers in the outlying districts having had their homesteads given to the flames, and their well-cultivated fields reduced to a wilderness, fled for shelter with their wives and children to New Plymouth. The presence of these helpless creatures in extraordinary numbers in a small town thronged with military and armed volunteers could not but be a source of embarrassment to those in command. The General accordingly had them removed to Nelson; and their relatives, who are in arms against the foe, will fight none the worse in the full knowledge and confidence that those they love are beyond all chances of danger.

But the question is, how are we to take the sting out of these belligerent and plundering potato-planters? We have no quarrel with the Waikotos, and yet they have aided and abetted the rebel Wirimu Kingi, have resisted the constituted authorities, shot down the unoffending colonists located on the border-land of the native territories, and carried off their goods. It may suit the enlightened and vigorous policy which obtains at the Colonial Office to say that "we can't undertake to protect people who go and settle among savages for their own profit." Unfortunately for the holders of these views, the country as one man is against them. In the first place, we concede that the New Zealanders are savages—ruthless barbarians when an enemy is to be destroyed or plunder gained; and after a rebellion Haddeid has been gallanted to his fathers, we have no doubt that the Christianity of the descendants of his converts will be found but a thin lacquer. But savages or not savages, they are emphatically British subjects. Although it has been found next to impossible to enforce the law against them, they do not hesitate to avail themselves of British law when they think it is for their own advantage. The local Government of New Plymouth has passed laws for the making and maintaining of roads and bridges, every penny required for such being paid by the colonists only, and yet in many cases the Maori uses them more than the white man. Another law makes provision for the fencing off of land, the cost of making and repairing fences being equally divided between settler and settler; but a Maori having land adjoining is exempted, and hands have been erected at the cost of the settlers for impounding the stray cattle belonging to both races, but the Maori has repeatedly, in the outlying districts, broken down the pound and liberated his cattle, horses, &c. Thinking the speculation, however, a profitable one, the Maori has built pounds of his own to secure the white man's cattle, and laid rate upon charges for his own use. Should the settler refuse to pay, the Maori appeals to the local tribunals, and he then pays, the Maori appeals to the local tribunals, and he then pays, the Maori appeals to be a British subject. There is one law for the native and another for the British settler, but it is certainly not to the advantage of the latter. It may be said that the native population is not represented in the local assembly. This is a misfortune which they share in common with millions of our countrymen at home, with the whole subject-population of India, and indeed with the aborigines in all our different settlements. But is for our colonists a reason for protecting our countrymen, that they settle amongst a very inferior race for their own profit, the idea is preposterous. What are we in India?—For what have we begirt the world with a chain of colonies and dependencies? For what would our countrymen leave friends and home if not to benefit themselves and families? And everything that conduces to their prosperity adds undoubtedly to the prosperity of the parent State. They must and will be protected. The Home Government has reserved to itself full control of all native affairs; yet their representative by his conduct may, as is asserted to be the case at present, draw on a war in which the colonists can do nought but suffer. Left to themselves, they would do here as they have done wherever they have relieved from the trammels of home-shape—make their own hands protect their own heads.

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ORDINATION BY THE BISHOP OF LONDON.

On Sunday morning the Bishop of London held a general ordination in the Chapel Royal, Whitehall. Prayers were said at ten o'clock, and at their close the service was for a short time suspended. At eleven o'clock the sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. W. C. Magee, of Trinity College, Dublin, minister of Quebec Chapel, St. Marylebone, who has just been presented to the rectory of Enniskillen. He selected for his text the 1st chapter of St. Paul's First Epistle to the Corinthians v. 22—"For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom; but we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling-block, and unto the Greeks foolishness; but unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God." He remarked that two facts were here recorded as the result of St. Paul's experience in preaching the Gospel—first, that the Gospel was universally distasteful to man, and that it was objected to not by men of one nation, or of one creed, but by all nations, by all men. It was scarcely possible to conceive conditions of the human mind more opposite than those of the Jews and the Greeks, and while they agreed in nothing else they agreed in rejecting the doctrine of Christ crucified. The second fact recorded was, that the Gospel possessed those very qualities for the seeming want of which the Jews and Greeks rejected it. The Jews rejected it because it possessed deficient in signs or power, and the Greeks because it seemed to them that it was deficient in wisdom, and yet it was both the wisdom and the power of God. It was a remarkable thing that the preacher, in whatever age he might live, would find in the Gospel everything the age required, and yet that it would be opposed by the same classes of men, and for the very same reasons that it was opposed by the Jews and Greeks of old. The seekers for signs and the seekers for wisdom still existed among them, and if they would preach effectually they must understand, not only the Gospel, but man; they understand St. Paul's experience when he described the Gospel coming in contact with the wants, the doubts, and the difficulties of his age, for they were the wants, the doubts, and the difficulties of any and every age. The rev. gentleman then drew attention to two questions—First, what was it that the Jew and the Greek demanded of Christianity? and, second, how was it that while the Gospel seemed to refuse what they asked, it contained the very thing they desired? The Jews did not see that there was sufficient evidence in the miracles of Christ to establish his Divine mission, and they wanted such a sign as to make it absolutely certain to them that Christ was the Son of God, and that all their doubts should be silenced by some extraordinary manifestation of power. On the other hand, the request of the Greek was directly opposite. He had no desire for any sign; he had ceased to believe in supernatural things, he wanted something natural, something that would solve one of those problems upon which his mind was constantly working—such as the distinction between mind and matter, whether man was governed by fate or free will, and the old question, whence comes evil? The Gospel was thus doubly displeasing to the Greek, because it did not give him what he asked for. Jesus, the philosopher, the Greek would have listened to, but Jesus, in all the mystery of his incarnation and stoning, was only a vision of the Greek's old mythology, and he was therefore rejected. The Jew wanted the Gospel all power—the Greek wanted it all wisdom. The Gospel story, so long as it was fairly told and strictly adhered to, could never become a superstition, and could never become merely a philosophy. The Jew and the Greek were both seeking for an unnatural religion, which would have given no trial to their faith, no discipline to their hearts. If the Jew had received a sign such as he wanted he would have been staggered and convinced, but there would have been no love, no trust in his faith; and if the Greek had received wisdom as he wanted it, it would have been just the same to him as mathematics, and would have been as much use to him, for it would have excited no love in his soul. 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THE RED SEA TELEGRAPH.

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The position of the Red Sea Telegraph Company is regarded as extremely unsatisfactory, both by the shareholders and by the public—by the shareholders because, after embarking in an undertaking enjoying a liberal and unquestionable guarantee from the British Government, they find their shares at a heavy discount, and the prospect of further profit thrown entirely in abeyance—and by the public, because they are deprived of the great advantages which would be afforded by a rapid telegraphic communication with the East, whilst the State still remains under the obligation of paying the stipulated sum every six months to the company. The line does not work at all. So complete is the failure that even the officers who had been appointed to the various stations have come home again. Surely it is time that measures should be taken for infusing vitality into the company's operations. It is said that, pending the litigation between the company and Messrs. Newall and Co., the contractors, nothing will be done with the cable. Its repair is a work which must either be carried out by the Government themselves, or must at least be specially sanctioned by them. Meanwhile the cable is as dormant as Pharaoh's chariot wheels, amongst which it reposes. Now, it is intolerable that the public interests should be prejudiced by the effects of the false position in which the company stands, as between Messrs. Newall on the one side, and Government on the other. The public want to see a line of telegraph to India established without delay. That line must be repaired, and who has the task not to take in hand? If a Government commission is to inquire into the whole matter, why is it not appointed? One thing is clear—Government must either authorise the company to persevere in their undertaking, or must take it into their own hands, and refund the company the money expended. By the agreement between Government and the company, the former have the power to determine it upon this condition. It is a condition not to be lightly accepted with all the loss entailed by the shareholders, seeing that their property stand now at twelve to fifteen per cent. discount in the market. The present anomalous position of the enterprise is a national disgrace. The State receives nothing whatever in return for a subsidy of considerable amount. Moreover, as long as Government remain in their present undecided frame of mind, they are indisposed to entertain any proposal having a bearing upon the question, however plausible, and however encouraged, to establish an alternative telegraphic line to India.

ORDINATION BY THE BISHOP OF LONDON.

On Sunday morning the Bishop of London held a general ordination in the Chapel Royal, Whitehall. Prayers were said at ten o'clock, and at their close the service was for a short time suspended. At eleven o'clock the sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. W. C. Magee, of Trinity College, Dublin, minister of Quebec Chapel, St. Marylebone, who has just been presented to the rectory of Enniskillen. He selected for his text the 1st chapter of St. Paul's First Epistle to the Corinthians v. 22—"For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom; but we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling-block, and unto the Greeks foolishness; but unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God." He remarked that two facts were here recorded as the result of St. Paul's experience in preaching the Gospel—first, that the Gospel was universally distasteful to man, and that it was objected to not by men of one nation, or of one creed, but by all nations, by all men. It was scarcely possible to conceive conditions of the human mind more opposite than those of the Jews and the Greeks, and while they agreed in nothing else they agreed in rejecting the doctrine of Christ crucified. The second fact recorded was, that the Gospel possessed those very qualities for the seeming want of which the Jews and Greeks rejected it. The Jews rejected it because it possessed deficient in signs or power, and the Greeks because it seemed to them that it was deficient in wisdom, and yet it was both the wisdom and the power of God. It was a remarkable thing that the preacher, in whatever age he might live, would find in the Gospel everything the age required, and yet that it would be opposed by the same classes of men, and for the very same reasons that it was opposed by the Jews and Greeks of old. The seekers for signs and the seekers for wisdom still existed among them, and if they would preach effectually they must understand, not only the Gospel, but man; they understand St. Paul's experience when he described the Gospel coming in contact with the wants, the doubts, and the difficulties of his age, for they were the wants, the doubts, and the difficulties of any and every age. The rev. gentleman then drew attention to two questions—First, what was it that the Jew and the Greek demanded of Christianity? and, second, how was it that while the Gospel seemed to refuse what they asked, it contained the very thing they desired? The Jews did not see that there was sufficient evidence in the miracles of Christ to establish his Divine mission, and they wanted such a sign as to make it absolutely certain to them that Christ was the Son of God, and that all their doubts should be silenced by some extraordinary manifestation of power. On the other hand, the request of the Greek was directly opposite. He had no desire for any sign; he had ceased to believe in supernatural things, he wanted something natural, something that would solve one of those problems upon which his mind was constantly working—such as the distinction between mind and matter, whether man was governed by fate or free will, and the old question, whence comes evil? The Gospel was thus doubly displeasing to the Greek, because it did not give him what he asked for. Jesus, the philosopher, the Greek would have listened to, but Jesus, in all the mystery of his incarnation and stoning, was only a vision of the Greek's old mythology, and he was therefore rejected. The Jew wanted the Gospel all power—the Greek wanted it all wisdom. The Gospel story, so long as it was fairly told and strictly adhered to, could never become a superstition, and could never become merely a philosophy. The Jew and the Greek were both seeking for an unnatural religion, which would have given no trial to their faith, no discipline to their hearts. If the Jew had received a sign such as he wanted he would have been staggered and convinced, but there would have been no love, no trust in his faith; and if the Greek had received wisdom as he wanted it, it would have been

COMMITTEE OF LAYMEN ADDRESS ON CHURCH RATES.

The Committee of Laymen would now redeem the pledge they gave last summer to offer to the members of the Church some suggestions on the fitting steps to be taken in order to secure a satisfactory settlement of the long-agitated question of church rates.

I. This cannot be effected without the cordial union of all those who desire to maintain the parochial system of the National Church, on which its vitality so much depends. Nor ought this union to be difficult; for, though many differences of opinion prevail as to the time and terms of a settlement, in the great object of maintaining the establishment of the National Church all its members may be held to concur; and it is now evident that the real issue raised on the subject of church rates is the maintenance of the Church in connection with the State.

For the ministry of the Church cannot continue in its efficiency unless its fabrics are preserved, and provision be made for things necessary to Divine worship; and if it is right to reject a rate for the support of these as an unconstitutional burden, it would seem that resistance to the payment for the maintenance of the minister will hereafter follow. Tithe for the clergy will, therefore, too surely, in the end, share the fate of rates for the fabric. Whatever, then, may be our differences, let Churchmen unite to maintain the endowments of our National Church.

II. This union should now take a practical shape in parochial petitions to Parliament on the subject of church rates. It is impossible to over-rate the importance of these petitions. By them and the agency which led to them the change on this question within the House of Commons has been effected. That change is marked by the reduction of the majority for abolition which in 1858 had risen to 74, but in last session fell to twenty-nine on the second reading, and on the third reading to nine. The committee entreat churchmen to persevere in the course which has been so successful. Their action may take two forms. The one, that of communication with the members for the county or borough with whom they individually are connected. In this they should represent the urgency of the case and their own strong convictions.

The other and more effective mode of action is by petitions to Parliament. In many parts of the country these are now being prepared, and will be poured into the House of Commons as soon as it meets. Let every churchmen prefer waiting to see whether an adverse bill will be presented to the House of Commons, and to frame their petitions accordingly. On this point each parish must follow its own judgment, but in all cases let parishes be ready to petition. The committee have been asked whether the signatures to the petition should be confined to ratepayers. They reply decidedly not. All adult male parishioners who can write and understand should sign. The Church is not for the ratepayers, but for all. Property has the burden, but property has the benefit. Let not every man, poor or rich, Churchman or dissenter, if he values the blessings of the Church of England, or his immemorial rights as a parishioner, sign the petition. The committee have prepared forms of petition, with a few hints on the leading points—technical directions. The last should be carefully followed. The first are merely suggestive.

III. The committee do not